Financing Institution's Proposal Towards Corporate Honesty

1778. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:

SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether financing institutions like IDBI|ICICI|LIC who have sizeable shareholding in L and T have taken cognizance of the forged proxies submitted at the annual general meeting of L and T as published in Express News Service from Bombay dated the 17th September, 1991; and

(b) if so, what corrective steps are proposed to bring corporate honesty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) The financial institutions have taken cognizance of the news item published in the matter.

(b) One of the shareholders of L & T has filed a complaint in a Court of Law in respect of proxies lodged with L & T The case is still sub-judice.

Audit Report on Account of BCCI and Related Banks

1779. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:
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SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any information is available from the Auditors M/s. Billimoria and Company appointed by Government to go into accounts of the BCCI and Syndicate Bank and other banks related with BCCI;

(b) whether any foreign investigating agency has enquired about the Indian connection with BCCI and whether Government are aware of the same and what are the details; and

(c) whether reconciliation of accounts of Syndicate Bank and BCCI upto 30th July is over and the exact position of depositors' interest is known?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) The report of M/s. S. B. Billimoria & Co. appointed by RBI to look into the affairs of Bombay branch of BCCI is awaited.

(b) Govt. is aware of the proceedings before a Sub Committee of the United States Senate looking into BCCI affairs. Some allegations regarding pay offs to some leaders of South Asia have figured in the hearing before this Sub Committee. However, as per information available the testimony in this regard could not provide details to substantiate the charges and the sub-committee is learnt to have decided not to seriously pursue the matter further.

(c) Syndicate Bank has reported that its Vostro accounts (Rupee accounts) of BCCI Group have been reconciled as on 30th July, 1991 with one disputed entry of Rs. 16,230. The Nostro accounts with BCCI (SA London) (US Dollar and Sterling accounts) have been reconciled as on 30-7-91 with a difference of US Dollar 10,167.15 and Sterling 6087.18 respectively.

The exact position of depositors interest of the Bombay branch will be known after the evaluation of assets of the Bombay branch is completed.

BCCI Funds to Former Prime Minister's Family

1780. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a representative of BCCI recently told the U.S. Congress that the BCCI had